

## 2011 Bull Sale Report

September 2011

Total clearance of 127 bull average \$7,165



A record crowd of 200 buyers and visitors attended the annual Raff Angus bull sale at “Mundibulanga” on Monday 19th September to witness the largest offering of bulls to ever sell for a record average price of \$7,165 with all lots selling through the ring in just 120 minutes.

A large panel of 85 registered repeat and new buyers from Queensland, New South Wales, Victoria and Tasmania provided spirited competition throughout the sale with the first five lots averaging \$17,200 to a top of \$19,000 with the final lot of the day selling for \$11,000 to long standing client Joyce Hodgkinson, Wallangra Angus, Wandoan, Qld.

The sale was once again dominated by repeat buyers with eleven of the fourteen top priced bulls being snapped up by regular Raff clients. There was a strong interest in Raff Angus genetics shown by NSW and N-E Victorian commercial cattle breeders who are looking at Raff bulls to give extra growth and yield with genetics different to the mainstream. M.S. Henwood Family Trust, Grong Grong, Wagga Wagga led the charge taking home 17 bulls for a \$5,235 average. The Queensland demand for Raff bulls continued to gain momentum with repeat buyers C & B Reddie, Hughenden outlaying \$56,500



for six bulls. N & D.G. Daley, Julia Creek took home four bulls for a \$9,125 average.

David Young of Londavra Angus, St Marys, Tasmania paid top price for Raff Equator E312. He weighed 1,045 kg at 25 months with a whole of life daily gain of 1.31 kg/day, an EMA of 138 sq.cm, 9/7 mm fat and 5.7% IMF. This is the second Raff sire purchased by David, having purchased Raff Appeal D222 for \$14,500 in 2009.

A flush brother to E312, Raff Equator E304, was purchased by long time clients Darcy and Mary Wilkinson, Guyra NSW for \$17,000. They also selected Raff Black Thunder E307 for \$11,000.

Steve Hayward and Kellie Smith, K5X Angus, Allora returned to purchase Raff Dynamite D345 for \$18,000 after purchasing Raff Danny Boy D207 in partnership for \$18,000 in 2009. The 35 month sire weighed 1116 kg with an EMA of 136 sq.cm and 5.7 IMF%.



Ken Warriner, Consalated Pastoral Company, Isis Downs, Isisford, Qld was back after purchasing last years top priced bull for \$20,000. This year they purchased 25 month old Raff Expedition E213 for \$18,000 and 18 month old Raff Appeal F78 for \$12,000. Raff Expedition E213 was the high performance bull of this years draft. He had an adjusted daily weight gain of 1.56 kg per day with an EMA of 145 sq.cm, 17/15 fat and 6.1 IMF%. A flush brother to him is currently being used within herd.

Regular buyers Paul and Faye Land, Llandarlo Angus, Cudgewa, Victoria were back to purchase proven stud sire Raff Defender D218 for \$14,000. Also traveling from Victoria were regular buyers John Tilley and Gillian Fahle, Murra Angus, Walwa who purchased a young Leachman Prompter son for \$16,000.

John Cox, former Stanbroke chief, returned to pick up five bulls for G.P. Cattle Pty Ltd. Samuel Holdings, Goomerri Qld purchased six bulls for \$52,000 with a top of \$11,000 for the 14 month old Raff Dallas F201. Long standing clients Aurifer Partnership, Goondiwindi, B.C. Vincent, Roma and Claredon Pastoral Company, Moree were all active.

A breakdown of the sale result –

5 ~ 'stud sire' lots selling at lots 1-5 topped at \$19,000 to average \$17,200

7 ~ 2 year olds topped at \$11,000 to average \$9,571

39 ~ 18 month old bulls sold to a top of \$12,000 (twice) to average \$6,910

76 ~ 11 to 15 month old yearlings sold to a top of \$16,000 to average \$6,406.